

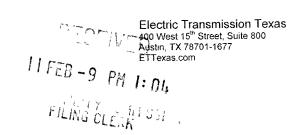
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February 9, 2010

Steven D. Arnold Administrative Law Judge State Office of Administrative Hearings 300 West 15th Street, Suite 502 Austin, Texas 78701-1649

RE: SOAH Docket No. 473-11-0945; PUCT Docket No. 38743, Application of Electric Transmission Texas, LLC to Amend its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the Tesla to Edith Clarke to Clear Crossing to West Shackelford 345-kV CREZ Transmission Line in Childress, Cottle, Hardeman, Foard, Knox, Haskell, Jones and Shackelford Counties.

Dear Judge Arnold,

Please find enclosed a fully executed copy of the Stipulation Concerning the Edith Clark to Clearing Crossing segment ("Stipulation") of Electric Transmission Texas, LLC's ("ETT") proposed CREZ transmission line in the matter referenced above. The Stipulation was entered in to evidence as ETT Exhibit No. 18. All parties affected by the Edith Clark to Clear Crossing segment have signed on to the Stipulation. Duane Johnson has authorized the undersigned to sign on his behalf. All of the parties' signed signature pages are included in the enclosed Stipulation. ETT will also file the Stipulation today at the Public Utility Commission of Texas.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Jerry N. Huerta

Counsel for Electric Transmission Texas, LLC

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Enclosure

APPLICATION OF ELECTRIC	§	BEFORE THE STATE OFFICE
TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC TO	§	
AMEND ITS CERTIFICATE OF	§	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR	§	
THE PROPOSED TESLA TO EDITH	Š	
CLARKE TO CLEAR CROSSING TO	§	
WEST SHACKELFORD DOUBLE-	§	OF
CIRCUIT 345-KV TRANSMISSION	§	
LINE IN CHILDRESS, COTTLE,	§	
HARDEMAN, FOARD, KNOX,	§	
HASKELL, JONES, AND	§	
SHACKELFORD COUNTIES, TEXAS	§	
PURSUANT TO P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.174	§	ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

STIPULATION CONCERNING THE EDITH CLARKE TO CLEAR CROSSING SEGMENT

This Stipulation (Stipulation) is intended to represent the agreement among all the parties in this proceeding impacted by the routing of the proposed transmission line from the Edith Clarke Station to the Clear Crossing Station (the EC Segment) to support the Commission's selection of Electric Transmission Texas, LLC (ETT) preferred route EC12A for the EC Segment. This Stipulation is made and entered into by the following parties to this proceeding:

- ETT:
- Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Staff);
- Southwestern Public Service Company:
- Larry Hughston;
- Johnson Ranches and Duane Johnson;
- Jim Paul and Jean Norman;
- W.T. Waggoner Estate;
- Lyndle Reeves, Beverly Kinnibrugh, Lloyd D. Welch, and Wanda Ressell;
- Burnett Ranch Limited Partnership, Glenn and Idalou Cato, Larry and Cindy Thompson, Belle Burnett and Ben Grill, B. Tillman Burnett, and Clyde Burnett;
- Propps Farms LLC and Patricia Price;
- Nelson Farms Family Trust;
- Ronnie Chapman;
- John S. Rike III;
- Vernay Howard;

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ETT Exhibit No. 18

- Larry Griffin; and
- Quail Land of Texas LLC and Billye L. West
- Gayle Newnam, Trustee, Tom & Hazel Campbell Family Bypass Trust

Collectively, the parties signing this Stipulation are referred to as the "Signatories."

I. Background

- 1. On October 20, 2010, ETT (Applicant) filed an application (Application) to amend its CCN to allow it to build, own, and operate a new double-circuit 345-kV CREZ transmission line in Childress, Cottle, Hardeman, Foard, Knox, Haskell, Jones, and Shackelford Counties, Texas.
- 2. The transmission line will consist of three segments, the Tesla to Edith Clarke Segment, the EC Segment, and the Clear Crossing to West Shackelford Segment.
 - 3. Discussions between the Signatories have resulted in this Stipulation.
- 4. The Signatories desire to capture the benefits of the Stipulation, for which all Signatories express their support, and to resolve all issues regarding the EC Segment and, therefore, agree as follows:

II. Agreement

- 5. The Signatories agree that the Commission should approve ETT's preferred route EC12a, as presented in the Application. Route EC12A consists of links B2, B4, B5, B14, B20, B22, B22a, B23a, B30, B33, B41, B41a and B41c, which are described in the Application. A map depicting Route EC12A is attached as Attachment A.
- 6. The existing 138-kV line on Link B5 will be underbuilt on the same structures as the CREZ transmission line approved in this case on the property of Signatories Reeves, Kinnibrugh, Welch and Ressell as shown on Attachment B. The existing 138-kV line on Link B30 will be underbuilt on the same structures as the CREZ transmission line approved in this case on the property of Signatory Chapman as shown on Attachment C. The sections of the

existing 138-kV line will be removed after the 138-kV line underbuilt on the CREZ line structures is energized. ETT also agrees to undertake certain actions and responsibilities with regards to routing of Route EC12A, if approved by the Commission, on Link B22 on the Nelson Family Farms Trust property as addressed in Attachment D.

7. The Signatories request that the Commission approve and implement this Stipulation and, when the order is issued granting Applicant's requested amendment to its certificates of convenience and necessity (CCN) for the transmission line, that such order approves Route EC12A for the EC Segment and approves the underbuilding of sections of the existing 138-kV line on the CREZ line structures as provided for in this Stipulation.

III. Other Provisions

- 8. This Stipulation is binding on each Signatory only for the purpose of settling the issues herein and for no other purpose. The Signatories acknowledge and agree that a Signatory's support of the matters contained in this Stipulation may differ from its position or testimony in dockets and cases not referenced in this Stipulation. To the extent that there is a difference, a Signatory does not waive its position in such other dockets and cases.
- 9. The Signatories have entered into this Stipulation in the interest and spirit of settlement and therefore agree that the provisions of the Stipulation shall be subject to final approval by the Commission. The Signatories, moreover, agree to entry of a final order of the Commission consistent with this Stipulation.
- 10. This Stipulation represents a compromise, settlement and accommodation among the Signatories, and all Signatories agree that the terms and conditions herein are interdependent and no Signatory shall be bound by a portion of this Stipulation outside the context of the Stipulation as a whole. If the Commission materially changes the terms of this Stipulation or

issues a final order inconsistent with a material term of this Stipulation, the Signatories agree that any Signatory adversely affected by that material alteration has the right to withdraw its consent to this Stipulation, thereby becoming released from its commitments and obligations arising hereunder and to proceed as otherwise permitted by law to exercise all rights available under law. Such a right to withdraw must be exercised by providing the other Signatories written notice within 20 calendar days of the date the Commission files its order acting on this Stipulation. Failure to provide such notice within the specified time period shall be deemed a waiver of the right to withdraw and, therefore, approval of any material changes to this Stipulation made by the Commission. The Signatories separately reserve the right to appeal in the event the Commission enters a final order that materially deviates from this Stipulation.

- 11. If any Signatory withdraws its consent from this Stipulation in accordance with the preceding paragraph and this matter proceeds to an evidentiary hearing, to the extent provided by Texas Rule of Evidence 408, oral and written statements made during settlement negotiations, including the terms of this Stipulation as it pertains to the withdrawing Signatory, shall not be admissible in evidence in such a hearing.
- 12. Nothing herein shall be construed as an admission by any party regarding the desirability of the transmission line or the Stipulation Route or the impact of the transmission line or the Stipulation Route on their property generally or its market value specifically. The route may be modified by agreement of ETT and affected landowners, in accordance with the ordering paragraphs in the Commission's order related to route modification.
- 13. Each person executing this Stipulation warrants that he or she is authorized to sign this Stipulation on behalf of the Signatory represented. Facsimile copies of signatures are

valid for purposes of evidencing such execution. The Signatories may sign individual signature pages to facilitate the circulation and filing of the original of this Stipulation.

14. This Stipulation is effective and dated as of the date shown below.

Dated this **20**th day of January, 2011.

Jerry N. Huerta, Attorney

Electric Transmission Texas, LLC

Jeffrey B. Stuart, Anorney - Legal Division

Public Utility Commission of Texas

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Southwestern Electric Power Company supports the Stipulation.

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ATTORNEY FOR SOUTHWESTERN PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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18 Jan 2010

By signature below, the Knox County intervenor group supports the Stipulation.

Zachary S. Brady

State Bar No. 24012320

Amber Brady

State Bar No. 24050320

ZS BRADY & COMPANY

3409 19th Street

Lubbock, Texas 79410-1201

ATTORNEYS FOR LYNDLE REEVES,
BEVERLY KINNIBRUGH, LLOYD D. WELCH,
WANDA RESSELL, GLENN AND IDALOU CATO,
LARRY AND CINDY THOMPSON,
BELLE BURNETT AND BEN GRILL,
BURNETT RANCH FAMILY PARTNERSHIP,
B. TILLMAN BURNETT AND CLYDE BURNETT
(COLLECTIVELY, KNOX COUNTY INTERVENORS)

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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January 20, 2011

By signature below, the W.T. Waggoner Estate supports the Stipulation.

J Todd Thomas

W.T. Waggoner Estate

P.O. Box 2130

Vernon, Texas 76385

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ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Larry Hughston supports the Stipulation.

Julia F. Pendery, Attorney at Jaw 3030 LBJ Freeway, Suite 1630, LB 50

Dallas, Texas 75234

ATTORNEY FOR LARRY HUGHSTON

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Tom & Hazel Campbell Family Bypass Trust supports the Stipulation.

Jayle Newnam, Trustee

Tom & Hazel Campbell Family Bypass Trust

P.O. Box 918

Georgetown, Texas 78627

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Nelson Farms Family Trust supports the Stipulation.

Bobbie N. Wright, Trustee Nelson Farms Family Trust

2011 Via Sevilla

Carrollton, Texas 75006

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

STIPULATION CONCERNING THE EDITH CLARKE TO CLEAR CROSSING SEGMENT

By signature below, Johnson Ranches supports the Stipulation.

Duane Johnson

Johnson Ranches 3501 Hwy 70 W

Crowell, Texas 79227

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ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Ronnie Chapman supports the Stipulation.

Ronnie Chapman 9425 FM 266

Haskell, Texas 75921-9343

Date

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ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

STIPULATION CONCERNING THE EDITH CLARKE TO CLEAR CROSSING SEGMENT

By signature below, John S. Rike III supports the Stipulation.

John S. Rike III John S. Rike III 8847 FM 2163

Haskell, Texas 79521

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ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

STIPULATION CONCERNING THE EDITH CLARKE TO CLEAR CROSSING SEGMENT

By signature below, Vernay Howard supports the Stipulation.

Vernay Howard 5963 FM 600

Haskell, Texas 79521-8441

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Larry Griffin supports the Stipulation.

Larry Griffin

500 McCormick Rd.

Little Elm, Texas 75068

Date - 18 - 201

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Propps Farm LLC supports the Stipulation.

Patricia M. Paice
Patricia Price

Propps Farm LLC

7708 Pebblebrook Dr.

Amarillo, Texas 79119

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

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By signature below, Jim Paul and Jean Norman support the Stipulation.

Jim Paul and Jean Norman

Box 441 403 N. 4th

Crowell, Texas 79227

Date

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION TEXAS, LLC

STIPULATION CONCERNING THE EDITH CLARKE TO CLEAR CROSSING SEGMENT

By signature below, Quail Land of Texas LLC supports the Stipulation.

Billye West

Quail Land of Texas LLC

P.O. Box 734

Newberry, SC 29108

Date



Electric Transmission Texas 400 West 15th Street, Suite 800 Austin, TX 78701-1677 ETTexas.com

January 16, 2011

Bobbie Wright Rosann Owens Nelson Family Farms Trust 2011 Via Sevilla Carrollton, Texas 75006

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Electric Transmission Texas, LLC-Nelson Farm Family Trust Agreement

Dear Ms. Wright and Ms. Owens,

Pursuant to our discussion on January 14, 2011, Nelson Farms Family Trust ("Nelson Farms") has agreed to the routing of Electric Transmission Texas, LLC's ("ETT" or the "Company") transmission line from the Edith Clarke Switching Station to the Clear Crossing Switching Station ("EC Segment") on NFFT's property along the Preferred Route EC12A. The routing of ETT's line on the Nelson Farms property along Link B22 of Preferred Route EC12A is generally depicted on Attachment "A" to this letter agreement. In consideration of such agreement, ETT agrees to relocate at its own expense any water wells and/or sub-surface water lines that would be impacted by the routing of its transmission line across the Nelson Farms' property on Link B22 and will work with your tenant, Mr. Mark Reed on the structure placement and route alignment across the property. ETT also agrees to reasonably compensate the Nelson Farms for any crop damage directly caused by ETT's personnel during construction activities. Nelson Farms and ETT understand and further agree that their mutual agreements herein are contingent upon the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") approving the routing of ETT's EC Segment across the Nelson Farms property.

ETT and Nelson Farms agree to enter in a Settlement Agreement with the other EC Segment intervenors and Staff that resolves all EC Segment routing issues in this matter. This Settlement Agreement will be submitted to the Judge and filed with the Commission requesting approval of Preferred Route EC12A, as agreed to by the EC Segment parties in this matter.

Electric Transmission Texas, LLC and Nelson Farms Family Trust Letter Agreement

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Please indicate your agreement that this letter accurately reflects our understanding as addressed above by providing Nelson Farms Family Trust's authorized representative's signature in the signature block below.

Electric Transmission Texas, LLC

Randal Toper

AGREED:

Bobbie N. Wright Rosann N. Owens Joe G. Nelson

NELSON FARMS FAMILY TRUST

(Print authorized representative(s) names above)
Authorized Representative of
Nelson Family Farms Trust

Please accept the above for legal signatures.

Electric Transmission Texas, LLC and Nelson Farms Family Trust Letter Agreement